



# Wyoming Crop Progress

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## Week of October 28 – November 3, 2013

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming experienced mountain snow and cooler temperatures. High temperatures ranged from 49 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 71 degrees in Torrington. Low temperatures ranged from 14 degrees in Lake Yellowstone to 26 degrees in Greybull and Gillette. Only two stations reported receiving no precipitation. Big Piney received the most precipitation for the week at 1.35 inches followed by Lander at 0.80 inch.

Albany County reported ground moisture going into the winter is the best it has been for years. Meadow growth has been exceptional, so fall grazing has been very good. Winter hay and roughage supplies are favorable. The mountains have already received a good snowfall, so if the trend continues the outlook for irrigation water next year will be good. Converse County reported moisture levels for 2013 are right at average for the year. Converse County reported overnight lows in the teens have essentially ended the growing season. Lincoln County producers have received some snow fall and temperatures are starting to stay cold. Most of the livestock is off the range and on fall pastures. Uinta County reported 6-10 inches of heavy wet snow covered the county on October 29. High mountain snows are helping to replenish reservoirs. Niobrara County reported freezing drizzle, ice, and snow from Monday, October 28 through Wednesday, October 30.

### SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
<b>Topsoil</b>				
Very Short	2	2	34	11
Short	13	15	42	28
Adequate	84	82	24	59
Surplus	1	1	0	2
<b>Subsoil</b>				
Very Short	5	6	34	17
Short	26	27	42	36
Adequate	68	66	24	45
Surplus	1	1	0	2

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Weather conditions allowed for 5.9 days of field work. Topsoil moisture improved to 85 percent adequate to surplus, and 15 percent short to

very short. One percent of the winter wheat crop has moderate wind damage and no freeze damage has been reported. Seventy-five percent of the sugarbeets have been harvested, 10 points behind the 5-year average. Thirty-five percent of the Corn for grain has been harvested, 6 points behind average. Eighty-nine percent of the dry beans have been combined, 7 points behind average. Ninety-four percent of the third cutting of alfalfa is complete, 8 points ahead of the 5-year average.

### CROP CONDITION TABLE

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Corn	1	5	22	55	17
Winter Wheat	0	0	19	77	4

### CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Dry Beans Combined	89	80	100	96
Corn Harvested	35	28	67	41
Sugar beets Harvested	75	62	96	85
Alfalfa 3rd Cut	94	91	85	86

**LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE REPORT:** Stock water supplies 83 percent adequate to surplus, 18 points better than the 5-year average. Hay and roughage supplies are 96 percent adequate, 3 percent surplus and only 1percent short.

### HAY AND ROUGHAGE SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very short	0	NA	10	2
Short	1	NA	38	13
Adequate	96	NA	50	80
Surplus	3	NA	2	4

### STOCK WATER SUPPLIES

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	2	2	19	9
Short	15	13	38	26
Adequate	81	81	43	65
Surplus	2	4	0	0

**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Average temperatures ranged from 31 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 41 degrees in Wheatland and Torrington. Temperatures were below normal in 17 of the 33 stations. Temperatures ranged from 5 degrees below normal in Newcastle and Sundance to 5 degrees above normal in Big Piney and Shirley Basin. Thirty-one reporting stations reported some precipitation, ranging from 0.04 inch in Douglas and Shirley Basin to 1.35 inches in Afton. Nineteen stations are reporting above normal precipitation for the year thus far.

**Weather Data for the Week Ending November 3, 2013 <sup>1/</sup>**

	Monthly Air Temperature				Monthly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	63	19	38	-4	0.16	0.14	0.02	9.81	-0.28
Dubois	58	21	35	-1	0.23	0.12	0.11	11.92	3.16
Greybull	66	26	40	2	0.08	0.10	-0.02	6.51	-0.38
Jeffrey City	61	22	36	0	0.14	0.17	-0.03	11.80	2.15
Lake Yellowstone	49	14	31	3	0.28	0.35	-0.07	18.01	0.85
Lander	65	17	36	-3	0.80	0.28	0.52	15.32	3.38
Powell	62	22	36	-2	0.06	0.07	-0.01	7.76	1.12
Riverton	65	17	35	-4	0.66	0.10	0.56	9.03	1.71
Worland	64	24	40	-1	0.13	0.14	-0.01	7.87	0.48
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	61	21	37	-2	0.08	0.27	-0.19	16.91	3.56
Buffalo-Johnson	61	24	38	-2	0.30	0.15	0.15	10.99	-1.59
Gillette	63	26	40	2	0.13	0.29	-0.16	18.71	3.47
Midwest	65	23	37	-3	0.21	0.21	0	13.46	1.00
Newcastle	65	23	36	-5	0	0.25	-0.25	22.03	7.18
Sheridan	63	22	38	-2	0.11	0.21	-0.10	17.47	4.13
Sundance	53	20	34	-5	0.07	0.32	-0.25	20.43	3.20
<b>District 3</b>									
Afton	58	23	36	2	1.35	0.34	1.01	15.26	-0.13
Big Piney	60	15	36	5	0.07	0.11	-0.04	4.18	-2.58
Evanston	61	23	38	3	0.56	0.21	0.35	4.89	-5.22
Jackson Hole	57	23	36	3	0.48	0.39	0.09	7.15	-9.92
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	66	24	40	2	0	0.21	-0.21	13.37	1.69
Laramie	59	18	36	2	0.17	0.17	0	10.20	-0.16
Rawlins	60	24	39	0	0.07	0.17	-0.10	7.23	-1.46
Rock Springs	62	25	38	3	0.05	0.17	-0.12	3.73	-4.58
Shirley Basin	61	19	34	5	0.04	0.14	-0.10	8.68	-0.72
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	65	24	38	4	0.28	0.19	0.09	19.39	5.52
Cheyenne	65	24	38	-2	0.24	0.14	0.10	16.52	2.11
Chugwater	66	22	39	-1	0.37	0.19	0.18	18.11	3.66
Douglas	67	19	40	2	0.04	0.18	-0.14	6.41	-5.14
Lance Creek	67	23	37	-4	0.14	0.20	-0.06	13.10	0.52
Old Fort Laramie	69	18	38	-2	0.50	0.14	0.36	12.43	0.02
Torrington	71	22	41	1	0.22	0.14	0.08	12.22	-0.75
Wheatland	61	22	41	-4	0.11	0.14	-0.03	10.07	-2.23

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955